

The main objective of this unit is to discuss the concept of an infinite series their convergence , conditional, absolute and the process of their rearrangements. We will be discussing certain tests for convergence of sequence and series namely Abel’s Test, Dirichlet’s Test and some important theorem like Carleman’s theorem, Dirichlet’s theorem and many others. In the end of this unit we will consider the sequence and series of functions and we prove their convergence and uniform convergence by important tests.

Definition Infinite series 1.1. We are already familiar with arithmetic and geometric series. In an arithmetic series, each term after the first term is formed by adding a fixed number to the proceeding term and in a geometric series, each term after the first is formed by multiplying the proceedings term by a fixed number. A series can be made by other ways also. For example, the series $1+4+9+16+25+36$ is formed by the squares of the first six natural numbers. A series is the sum of the terms of sequence.

Thus if u_1, u_2, \dots is a sequence, then the sum $u_1 + u_2, \dots$ of all terms is called an infinite series and is denoted by $\sum_{i=1}^{\infty} u_n$ or simply by $\sum u_n$.

If we denoted S_n by $u_1 + u_2 + \dots \dots \dots u_n$.

That is ,

$$S_n = u_1 + u_2 + \dots \dots \dots .u_n$$

Then the sequence $\langle S_n \rangle$ is called a sequence of partial sums of series and the partial sums,

$$S_1 = u_1, S_2 = u_1 + u_2, \dots \dots \dots . S_n$$

and $S_n = u_1 + u_2 + \dots \dots \dots .u_n$

and so on may be required as approximation to infinite series $\sum u_n$.

The series $\sum u_n$ is convergent if the sequence of partial sums are convergent,

That is if $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} S_n$ exists,

Then, $\sum u_n$ is convergent and we write $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} S_n = \sum u_n$.

Carleman's Theorem 1.1 .

Suppose $\sum a_n$ be convergent series of positive terms , then

$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (a_1 a_2 \dots a_n)^{\frac{1}{n}}$ is convergent and $\sum u_n \leq e \sum a_n$.

where $u_n = (a_1 a_2 \dots a_n)^{\frac{1}{n}}$.

Proof: We define c_n by

$$c_1 c_2 \dots c_n = (n+1)^n \quad (1)$$

$$c_1 c_2 \dots c_{n-1} = (n)^{n-1} \quad (2)$$

Dividing (i) and (ii), we get

$$c_n = \frac{(n+1)^n}{(n)^{n-1}}$$

This implies that $\frac{c_n}{n} = \left(\frac{n+1}{n}\right)^n$ (3)

Now

$$\begin{aligned} \sum (a_1 a_2 \dots a_n)^{\frac{1}{n}} &= \sum (a_1 a_2 \dots a_n)^{\frac{1}{n}} \cdot 1 \\ &= \sum (a_1 a_2 \dots a_n)^{\frac{1}{n}} \cdot \frac{(c_1 c_2 \dots c_n)^{\frac{1}{n}}}{n+1} \end{aligned}$$

This implies $\sum (a_1 a_2 \dots a_n)^{\frac{1}{n}} = \frac{\sum (c_1 c_2 \dots c_n)^{\frac{1}{n}}}{n+1}$ (4)

By Arithmetic-Geometric Mean Inequality, we get from (4)

$$\sum (a_1 a_2 \dots \dots \dots a_n)^{\frac{1}{n}} \leq \sum \frac{a_1 c_1 + a_2 c_2 + \dots \dots \dots a_n c_n}{n(n+1)} \quad (5)$$

We have

$$\begin{aligned} & [a_1 c_1 \left(\frac{1}{1.2} + \frac{1}{2.3} + \dots \dots \dots \right) + a_2 c_2 \left(\frac{1}{2.3} + \frac{1}{3.4} + \dots \dots \dots \right) + \dots + \\ & \quad \quad \quad a_k c_k \left(\frac{1}{k(k+1)} + \frac{1}{(k+1)(k+2)} + \dots \dots \dots \right) + \dots] \\ & = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} a_k c_k \left(\frac{1}{k(k+1)} + \frac{1}{(k+1)(k+2)} + \dots \dots \dots \right) \\ & = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} a_k c_k \sum_{n=k}^{\infty} \left(\frac{1}{n(n+1)} \right) \end{aligned} \quad (6)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{We have } \sum_{n=k}^{\infty} \left(\frac{1}{n(n+1)} \right) &= \sum_{n=k}^{\infty} \left(\frac{1}{n} - \frac{1}{n+1} \right) \\ &= \left(\frac{1}{k} - \frac{1}{k+1} \right) + \left(\frac{1}{k+1} - \frac{1}{k+2} \right) + \dots \dots \dots \\ &= \frac{1}{k} \end{aligned} \quad (7)$$

Therefore from (5), (6) and (7), we get

$$\begin{aligned} \sum (a_1 a_2 \dots \dots \dots a_n)^{\frac{1}{n}} &\leq \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} a_k \frac{c_k}{c_k} \\ &= \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} a_k \left(\frac{k+1}{k} \right)^k \quad \text{by (3)} \\ &= \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} a_k \left(1 + \frac{1}{k} \right)^k \\ &\leq e \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} a_k \quad \left(\text{as } \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \left(1 + \frac{1}{k} \right)^k = e \right). \end{aligned}$$

Therefore $\left(1 + \frac{1}{k} \right)^k \leq e \quad \forall k \geq 1$.

Hence $\sum (a_1 a_2 \dots \dots \dots a_n)^{\frac{1}{n}} \leq e \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n$.

This shows that $\sum (a_1 a_2 \dots \dots \dots a_n)^{\frac{1}{n}}$ is convergent as $\sum a_n$ is convergent.

Conditional and Absolutely Convergence.

Definition 1.2. A series $\sum a_n$ is said to be absolutely convergent if $\sum |a_n|$ is convergent.

Conditional Convergence 1.3. A series which is convergent but not absolutely convergent is said to conditional convergent.

That is, if $\sum a_n$ is convergent but $\sum |a_n|$ is not convergent .

Then, $\sum a_n$ is conditional convergent.

Example 1.1. Consider a series $\sum \left(\frac{-1)^n}{n^2}\right)$.

Then, $\sum \left(\frac{-1)^n}{n^2}\right)$ is convergent.

Also, $\sum \left|\left(\frac{-1)^n}{n^2}\right)\right| = \sum \frac{1}{n^2}$ is convergent .

Therefore , $\sum \left(\frac{-1)^n}{n^2}\right)$ is absolutely convergent .

Example 1.2. Consider a series $\sum \left(\frac{-1)^n}{n}\right)$.

Then, $\sum \left(\frac{-1)^n}{n}\right)$ is convergent .

But, $\sum \left|\left(\frac{-1)^n}{n}\right)\right| = \sum \frac{1}{n}$ is not convergent.

Therefore , $\sum \left(\frac{-1)^n}{n}\right)$ is conditional convergent .

Theorem 1.2. Every absolutely convergent series is convergent.

or The convergence of $\sum |a_n|$ implies the convergence of $\sum a_n$.

Proof: Suppose $\sum |a_n|$ is convergent .

Hence for every $\epsilon > 0$, by Cauchy's general principal of convergence.

There exists a positive integer m such that ,

$$\left| |a_{n+1}| + |a_{n+2}| + \cdots \cdots + |a_{n+p}| \right| < \epsilon \quad \forall n \geq m \text{ and } p \geq 1 \quad (8)$$

Also, for all $\forall n \geq m$ and $p > 1$,we have

$$\begin{aligned} |a_{n+1} + a_{n+2} + \cdots \cdots + a_{n+p}| \\ \leq |a_{n+1}| + |a_{n+2}| + \cdots \cdots + |a_{n+p}| < \epsilon \quad \text{by (8).} \end{aligned}$$

Therefore by Cauchy' criteria , $\sum a_n$ is convergent .

Remark 1. Divergence of $\sum |a_n|$ does not imply divergence of $\sum a_n$.

Example 1. 3. The given series

$$\sum \left| \left(\frac{-1}{n} \right)^n \right| \text{ is divergent .}$$

But , the series $\sum \left(\frac{-1}{n} \right)^n$ is convergent.

This shows that the converse of above theorem is not true in general .

Test for Series of arbitrary terms.

We now consider arbitrary term series which are convergent (but not necessarily absolutely convergent) and obtain tests for their convergence. We first prove an important lemma, due to Abel's.

Lemma 1.1. If b_n is positive , monotonic decreasing function and if A_n is bounded , then the series $\sum A_n (b_n - b_{n-1})$ is absolutely convergent.

Proof: Since A_n is bounded .

Therefore there exists a positive number k , such that ,

$$|A_n| \leq k, \quad \forall n .$$

Thus, $\sum_{n=1}^m |A_n(b_n - b_{n+1})|$

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{n=1}^m |A_n| |b_n - b_{n+1}| &= \sum_{n=1}^m |A_n| (b_n - b_{n+1}) \quad (\because b_{n+1} \leq b_n) \\ &\leq \sum_{n=1}^m k(b_n - b_{n+1}) \\ &= k (b_1 - b_{m+1}) < k b_1. \end{aligned}$$

Thus, the sequence of partial sums of positive term series,

$\sum_{n=1}^m |A_n(b_n - b_{n+1})|$ is bounded above by kb_1 , so that

$\sum_{n=1}^m |A_n(b_n - b_{n+1})|$ is convergent .

Hence $\sum A_n(b_n - b_{n+1})$ is absolutely convergent .

Theorem Abel's test 1.3.

If b_n is positive monotonic decreasing and if $\sum u_n$ is a convergent series, then the series $\sum u_n b_n$ is also convergent.

Proof: Let $V_n = u_n b_n$ and

$$S_n = \sum_{i=1}^n u_i, \quad V_n = \sum_{i=1}^n v_i .$$

Then ,

$$\begin{aligned} V_n &= u_1 b_1 + u_2 b_2 + \cdots + u_n b_n \\ &= S_1 b_1 + (S_2 - S_1) b_2 + (S_3 - S_2) b_3 + \cdots + (S_n - S_{n-1}) b_n \\ &= S_1 (b_1 - b_2) + S_2 (b_2 - b_3) + \cdots + S_{n-1} (b_{n-1} - b_n) + S_n b_n \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^{n-1} S_i (b_i - b_{i+1}) + S_n b_n \end{aligned} \quad (9)$$

Since, $\sum u_n$ is convergent . Therefore, the sequence $\langle S_n \rangle$ is also convergent .

Also , b_n is positive and monotonic decreasing function .

Therefore by above lemma , the series $\sum S_n(b_n - b_{n+1})$ is absolutely convergent and hence the partial sums $\sum_{i=1}^{n-1} S_i(b_i - b_{i+1})$ tends to finite limit as $n \rightarrow \infty$.

Also, since b_n monotonic decreasing and bounded below by 0.

Therefore $\langle b_n \rangle$ is convergent and so b_n tends to a finite limit as $n \rightarrow \infty$.

Hence $S_n b_n$ tends to finite limit as $n \rightarrow \infty$.

By using the above result we find from (ix) that V_n tends to finite limit as $n \rightarrow \infty$.

That is the sequence $\langle V_n \rangle$ of partials sums of $\sum V_n$ converges .

Consequently the series $\sum V_n$ or $\sum u_n b_n$ converges .

Remark. A convergent series $\sum u_n$ remain convergent if its terms are multiplied by ' a_n ' where a_n is bounded and monotonic decreasing .

Theorem Dirichlet's Test 1.4.

If b_n is positive monotonic decreasing with limit 0 and if for the series $\sum u_n$. The sequence $\{S_n\}$ of partial sums of $\sum u_n$ is bounded, then the series $\sum u_n b_n$ is convergent.

Proof. Let $S_n = \sum_{i=1}^n u_i$, $V_n = u_n b_n$

and $V_n = \sum_{i=1}^n V_i = \sum_{i=1}^n u_i b_i$.

Then , as before

$$V_n = \sum_{i=1}^{n-1} S_i(b_i - b_{i+1}) + S_n b_n \quad (10)$$

Since S_n is bounded and b_n is positive and monotonic decreasing .

Therefore by above Lemma $\sum_{i=1}^n S_i (b_i - b_{i+1})$ tends to finite limit as $n \rightarrow \infty$.

Also, since $b_n \rightarrow 0$ and $n \rightarrow \infty$, S_n is bounded.

Therefore, $S_n b_n \rightarrow 0$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$.

Using the above result we find from (x) that V_n tends to finite limit as $n \rightarrow \infty$ and hence the series $\sum V_n = \sum u_n b_n$ converges.

Example 1.4. Show that the series

$$0 - \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2^2} - \frac{1}{3} + \frac{2}{3^2} - \frac{1}{4} + \frac{3}{4^2} - \dots \quad \text{is convergent.}$$

Solution. Take
$$\sum V_n = 1 - 1 + \frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{3} - \frac{1}{3} + \dots \quad (11)$$

and
$$\sum u_n = 0 + \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2} + \frac{2}{3} + \frac{3}{4} + \frac{3}{4} \dots$$

Since series (11) is convergent and the $\langle u_n \rangle$ is monotonic and bounded.

Therefore $\sum V_n u_n = 0 - \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2^2} - \frac{1}{3} + \frac{2}{3^2} - \frac{1}{4} + \frac{3}{4^2} - \dots$ is convergent.

Example 3.5. Test for the convergence of series, $\sum \left(\frac{(n^3 +)^{\frac{1}{3}} - n}{\log n} \right)$.

Solution. Let $u_n = \left\{ (n^3 +)^{\frac{1}{3}} - n \right\}$ and $b_n = \frac{1}{\log n}$.

Since $\sum u_n$ is convergent and $\{b_n\}$ is positive, monotonic decreasing sequence tends to 0 as $n \rightarrow \infty$.

Therefore $\sum u_n v_n$ is convergence.

Hence given series convergent.

Rearrangement of Terms.

If the terms of finite sum are rearranged then the sum of finite series remains same. But if the term of infinite series are rearranged, then the sum of infinite series varies.

Example. Consider the series

$1 - \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{3} - \frac{1}{4} + \dots$ converges to the sum S .

But, if terms of above series rearranged so that each positive term is followed by two negative terms, then the series

$1 - \frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{4} + \frac{1}{3} - \frac{1}{6} - \frac{1}{8} + \dots$ converges to $\frac{1}{2} S$.

Another rearrangement of above series say

$\left(\frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{4} + \frac{1}{6} + \frac{1}{8} + \dots\right) - \left(1 + \frac{1}{3} + \frac{1}{5} + \dots\right)$ diverges.

Thus, if the series $\sum u_n$ is convergent, then the rearrangement of this series may diverge.

Rieman's Theorem 1.5. By an appropriate rearrangement of the terms a conditional convergent series $\sum u_n$ can be

- (i) Converge to any number σ or
- (ii) Diverge to $+\infty$
- (iii) Diverge to $-\infty$
- (iv) Can oscillate finitely
- (v) Can oscillate infinitely.

Proof. Let $a_n = \begin{cases} u_n, & \text{if } u_n \geq 0 \\ 0, & \text{if } u_n < 0 \end{cases}$

and $b_n = \begin{cases} -u_n, & \text{if } u_n < 0 \\ 0, & \text{if } u_n \geq 0 \end{cases}$.

Then, clearly a_n and b_n are non – negative and

$$u_n = a_n - b_n$$

$$|u_n| = a_n + b_n \tag{12}$$

Since $\sum u_n$ is conditional convergent.

Therefore $\sum |u_n|$ diverges and hence from (12) , at least one of the series $\sum a_n$, or $\sum b_n$ diverges.

Again, Since $\sum u_n$ is convergent .

Therefore from (12), it follows that the two series $\sum a_n$,

$\sum b_n$ either both converges or both diverges .

Thus, $\sum a_n$ and $\sum b_n$ both diverges .

Also, $a_n \rightarrow 0, b_n \rightarrow 0$ (because $u_n \rightarrow 0$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$).

(i) We shall first show that a rearrangement $\sum V_n$ of $\sum u_n$ can be found which converges to any number σ .

Let n_1 be the least number of terms of $\sum a_n$, such that

$$a_1 + a_2 + \dots + a_{n_1} > \sigma$$

Let m_1 be the least number of terms of the series $\sum b_n$, such that

$$a_1 + a_2 + \dots + a_{n_1} - b_1 - b_2 - \dots - b_{m_1} < \sigma$$

Again, let n_2 be the number of terms of $\sum a_n$, other than previous, such that

$$\begin{aligned} a_1 + a_2 + \dots + a_{n_1} - b_1 - b_2 \dots - b_{m_1} + \\ + a_{n_1+1} + a_{n_1+2} + \dots + a_{n_1+n_2} > \sigma \end{aligned}$$

Let m_2 be the least no. of next terms of $\sum b_n$, such that

$$\begin{aligned} a_1 + a_2 + \dots + a_{n_1} - b_1 - b_2 - \dots - b_{m_1} + \\ + a_{n_1+1} + a_{n_1+2} + \dots + a_{n_1+n_2} - b_{m_1+1} - b_{m_1+2} - \dots - b_{m_1+m_2} < \sigma \end{aligned}$$

The process may be continued indefinitely. The process indicated above is always possible, because of the divergence of two series $\sum a_n$, and $\sum b_n$.

Let $\sum V_n$ be the rearranged series and $\{\sigma_n\}$ its sequence of partial sums.

Clearly, $\sigma_{n_1} > \sigma$, $\sigma_{n_1+m_1} < \sigma_{n_1+m_1+m_2} > \sigma$, $\sigma_{n_1+m_1+n_2+m_2} < \sigma$

Therefore it can be easily shown that the sequence $\{\sigma_n\}$ converges to σ .

This implies that

- (i) The rearrangement series $\sum V_n$ converges to σ .
- (ii) We shall now show that a suitable rearrangement of $\sum a_n$, can be found which diverges to $+\infty$.

Let us consider the rearrangement

$$a_1 + a_2 + \dots + a_{m_1} - b_1 + b_{m_1+1} + \dots \\ + a_{m_2} - b_2 + a_{m_2+1} + \dots$$

in which a group of positive terms followed by single negative term.

This is certainly a rearrangement of $\sum u_n$ and let us denote it by $\sum V_n$

and its partial sum by S_n .

Now since the series

$\sum a_n$ is divergent, its partial sums are therefore unbounded.

Let us choose m_1 , so large that $a_1 + a_2 + \dots + a_{m_1} > 1 + b_1$

Then,

$m_2 > m_1$, so large such that

$$a_1 + a_2 + \dots + a_{m_1} + \dots + a_{m_2} > 2 + b_1 + b_2$$

And in general $m_n > m_{n-1}$ so large that

$$a_1 + a_2 + \dots + a_{m_n} > n + b_1 + b_2 + \dots + b_n \text{ for } n=1,2,3,\dots$$

Now since each of the partial sum $S_{m_1+1}, S_{m_2+1}, \dots$ of $\sum V_n$ whose

last term is negative term $-b_n$ is greater than $n(n = 1, 2, 3 \dots \dots)$.

Thus, the series $\sum V_n$ diverges to $+\infty$.

(ii) By considering the rearrangement

$$-b_1 - b_2 - \dots - b_{m_1} + a_1 - b_{m_1+2} - \dots - b_{m_2} + \dots \text{it can be}$$

This show that the rearrangement diverges to $-\infty$.

Other cases may similarly be proved by considering the suitable rearrangement of given series.

Example 1.6. Criticize the following paradox

$$\begin{aligned} 1 - \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{3} - \frac{1}{4} + \dots & \dots \dots \dots \dots \dots \dots \\ &= \left(1 + \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{3} + \dots \dots\right) - 2\left(\frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{4} + \dots \dots\right) \\ &= \left(1 + \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{3} + \dots \dots\right) - \left(1 - \frac{1}{2} - \dots \dots\right) \\ &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

Hence the series converges to zero.

Multiplication of Series.

Definition 1.3. Given two series $\sum a_n$ and $\sum b_n$.

We put $C_n = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} a_k b_{n-k} (n = 0, 1, 2, \dots \dots)$

and call $\sum C_n$, the cauchy's product of $\sum a_n$ and $\sum b_n$.

Here $\sum a_n \sum b_n = \sum C_n$.

Let us denoted by

$$A_n = a_0 + a_1 + a_2 + \dots \dots + a_n$$

$$B_n = b_0 + b_1 + b_2 + \dots \dots + b_n$$

$$\text{and } C_n = (a_0b_0) + (a_1b_0 + a_0b_1) + a_2b_0 + a_1b_1 + a_0b_2) + \dots (a_0b_n + \dots + a_nb_0)$$

Note that $A_nB_n \neq C_n$.

Marten's Theorem 1.6. Suppose $\sum a_n = A$

and $\sum b_n = B$ and $\sum a_n$ is absolutely Convergent,

Then, $\lim C_n = AB$.

Proof. Put $A_n = a_0 + a_1 + a_2 + \dots + a_n$

$$B_n = b_0 + b_1 + b_2 + \dots + b_n$$

and $\beta_n = B_n - B$ where $\beta_n \rightarrow 0$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$.

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Then, } C_n &= \sum_{k=0}^n a_k b_{n-k} \\ &= a_0b_0 + (a_0b_1 + a_1b_0) + \dots + (a_0b_n + a_1b_{n-1} + \dots + a_nb_0) \\ &= a_0B_n + a_1(B_{n-1}) + \dots + a_nB_0 \\ &= a_0(\beta_n + B) + a_1(\beta_{n-1} + B) + \dots + a_n(\beta_0 + B) \\ &= B(a_0 + a_1 + a_2 + \dots + a_n) \\ &\quad + a_0\beta_n + a_1\beta_{n-1} + \dots + a_n\beta_0 . \end{aligned}$$

This implies that $C_n = A_nB + \gamma_n$

$$\text{where } \gamma_n = a_0\beta_n + a_1\beta_{n-1} + \dots + a_n\beta_0 .$$

To prove that $C_n \rightarrow AB$.

Since $A_nB \rightarrow AB$, it is suffice to show that

$$\gamma_n \rightarrow 0 \text{ as } n \rightarrow \infty .$$

Put $\alpha = \sum |a_n|$.

Since $\beta_n \rightarrow 0$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$.

Hence given $\epsilon > 0$, we can find N such that

$$|\beta_n| < \epsilon, \quad \forall n \geq N.$$

Therefore,

$$\begin{aligned} |\gamma_n| &= |a_n\beta_0 + a_{n-1}\beta_1 + \cdots + a_{n-N+1}\beta_{N-1} + a_{n-N}\beta_N + \cdots + a_0\beta_n| \\ &\leq |a_n\beta_0 + a_{n-1}\beta_1 + \cdots + a_{n-N+1}\beta_{N-1}| + |a_{n-N}\beta_N + \cdots + a_0\beta_n| \\ &\leq |a_n\beta_0 + a_{n-1}\beta_1 + \cdots + a_{n-N+1}\beta_{N-1}| + \epsilon\alpha. \end{aligned}$$

Keeping N fixed and Letting $n \rightarrow \infty$ and noting that $a_n \rightarrow 0$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$.

We get,

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} |\gamma_n| \leq \epsilon\alpha.$$

Now letting $\epsilon \rightarrow 0$, we get

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} |\gamma_n| = 0.$$

This implies $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \gamma_n = 0$.

Thus $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} C_n = AB$.

Uniform Continuity.

Definition 1.4. A function f on interval I is uniformly continuous if for each $\epsilon > 0$, $\exists \delta > 0$, such that

$$|f(x_1) - f(x_2)| < \epsilon \quad \text{whenever } |x_1 - x_2| < \delta \quad x_1, x_2 \in I.$$

Theorem 3.7. If f is uniformly continuous on I , then it is continuous on that interval.

Proof. Suppose f is uniformly continuous on I . Then, $\forall \epsilon > 0, \exists \delta > 0$, such that

$$|f(x_1) - f(x_2)| < \epsilon \quad \text{whenever } |x_1 - x_2| < \delta \quad x_1, x_2 \in I \quad (13)$$

Let $a \in I$.

Then, for all $\epsilon > 0$, $\exists \delta > 0$, such that

$$|f(x) - f(a)| < \epsilon \quad \text{whenever } |x - a| < \delta$$

This implies f is continuous at $x = a$. Since ' a ' is choose arbitrary.

Therefore f is continuous on I .

Heine's Theorem 1.8. A function which is continuous on closed interval $[a, b]$, then it is uniformly continuous on $[a, b]$.

Proof. f is continuous on $[a, b]$.

Let if possible f be not uniformly continuous on $I = [a, b]$ then there exist $\epsilon > 0$, such that for any $\delta > 0$, there are numbers $x, y \in I$, for which

$$|f(x) - f(y)| \geq \epsilon \quad \text{whenever } |x - y| < \delta.$$

Hence for each positive n , we can find $x_n, y_n \in I$, such that

$$|f(x_n) - f(y_n)| \geq \epsilon \quad (14)$$

whenever $|x_n - y_n| < \delta$.

Since $\{x_n\}, \{y_n\}$ being sequence in I , they are bounded and therefore each has atleast one limit point say a_1 and a_2 respectively.

Since I is closed set.

Therefore $a_1, a_2 \in I$.

Since a_1 is limit point of $\{x_n\}$, there exists a convergent subsequence $\{x_{nk}\}$ of $\{x_n\}$, such that

$$x_{nk} \rightarrow a_1 \text{ as } k \rightarrow \infty.$$

Similarly there exists a convergent subsequence $\{y_{n_k}\}$ of $\{y_n\}$, such that

$$y_{n_k} \rightarrow a_2 \text{ as } k \rightarrow \infty.$$

Again from (14)

$$|f(x_{n_k}) - f(y_{n_k})| \not\leq \epsilon$$

$$\text{Whenever } |(x_{n_k}) - (y_{n_k})| < \frac{1}{n_k} \leq \frac{1}{k} \quad (15)$$

Second inequality shows that

$$\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} x_{n_k} = \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} y_{n_k} .$$

This implies

$$a_1 = a_2 = a .$$

But, $\{f(x_{n_k})\}$ and $\{f(y_{n_k})\}$ Converges to two different numbers by (14)

which contradicts to the fact that f is continuous on $I = [a, b]$.

Thus our supposition is wrong.

Hence f is uniformly continuous on $I = [a, b]$.

Exercise. Show that (i) $f(x) = x^2$ is uniformly continuous on $]0,1[$.

(ii) $f(x^2)$ is uniformly continuous on $[-1,1]$.

(iii) $f(x) = \sin x$ is uniformly continuous on $[0, \infty)$.

Darboux's Theorem 1.9. If f is derivable on $[a, b]$ and $f'(a) \neq f'(b)$,

then for any number k between $f'(a)$ and $f'(b)$, $\exists c \in (a, b)$, such that

$$f'(c) = k .$$

Proof. Suppose $f'(a) < k < f'(b)$.

Consider a function $g(x) = f(x) - k(x)$.

Then, $g'(a) = f'(a) - k < 0$

and $g'(b) = f'(b) - k > 0$.

By definition, $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} \frac{g(x) - g(a)}{x - a} = g'(a)$

and $\lim_{x \rightarrow b} \frac{g(x) - g(b)}{x - b} = g'(b)$.

Thus, $\forall \epsilon > 0$, $\exists \delta_1 \delta_2$, such that

$$\left| \frac{g(x) - g(a)}{x - a} - g'(a) \right| < \epsilon \quad \text{when} \quad |x - a| < \delta_1$$

and

$$\left| \frac{g(x) - g(b)}{x - b} - g'(b) \right| < \epsilon \quad \text{when} \quad |x - b| < \delta_2.$$

Let $\delta = \min\{\delta_1 \delta_2\}$.

Then $\left| \frac{g(x) - g(a)}{x - a} - g'(a) \right| < \epsilon$ and $\left| \frac{g(x) - g(b)}{x - b} - g'(b) \right| < \epsilon$

whenever $|x - a| < \delta$, $|x - b| < \delta$.

This implies

$$g'(a) - \epsilon < \frac{g(x) - g(a)}{x - a} < g'(a) + \epsilon,$$

This implies that

$$g'(b) - \epsilon < \frac{g(x) - g(b)}{x - b} < g'(b) + \epsilon$$

whenever $|x - a| < \delta$, $|x - b| < \delta$ (16)

Choose ϵ so small, such that

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} g'(a) + \epsilon < 0 \\ \text{and} \\ g'(b) - \epsilon > 0 \end{array} \right\} \quad (17)$$

Thus from (1) and (2), we get

$$g(a + h) < g(a), \quad g(a - h) > g(a)$$

and

$$g(b + h) > g(b), \quad g(b - h) < g(b) \quad \text{where } 0 < h < \delta \quad (18)$$

Since g is derivable on $[a, b]$.

Therefore continuous on $[a, b]$ and attains supremum in $[a, b]$.

Clearly by (18) g has no supremum at a or at b .

Then there exist $c \in (a, b)$, such that

$$g(c) = \sup\{g(x)\}$$

Claim: $g'(c) = 0$.

If possible $g'(c) > 0$.

Then, $g(c + h) > g(c)$ as before which is not possible.

Also if, $g'(c) < 0$.

Then, $g(c - h) > g(c)$ as before which is again not possible.

Thus, $g'(c) = 0$.

This implies that

$$f'(c) = k \quad \text{where } c \in (a, b).$$

Hence the theorem follows.

Corollary. If f is derivable in $[a, b]$ such that $f'(a)$ and $f'(b)$ are opposite in sign, then there exists $0 \in (a, b)$, such that $f'(0) = 0$.

Theorem 1.10. If $\overline{\lim} |a_n|^{\frac{1}{n}} = \frac{1}{R}$, then

The series $\sum a_n x^n$ is convergent for $|x| < R$

and diverges for $|x| > R$.

Proof. We have

$$\overline{\lim}_{n \rightarrow \infty} |a_n x^n|^{1/n} = \overline{\lim} |a_n|^{\frac{1}{n}} \cdot |x| = \frac{|x|}{R}.$$

Therefore $\sum a_n x^n$ converges, if

$$\frac{|x|}{R} < 1 \quad \text{and diverges if } \frac{|x|}{R} > 1.$$

Thus, $\sum a_n x^n$ converges, if $|x| < R$

and diverges if $|x| > R$ when $R = \frac{1}{\overline{\lim} |a_n|^{\frac{1}{n}}}$.

Definition 1.5. In view of above theorem, the radius of convergence of power series $\sum a_n x^n$ is defined as

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{1}{\overline{\lim} |a_n|^{\frac{1}{n}}}, & \text{ when } \overline{\lim} |a_n|^{\frac{1}{n}} > 0 \\ & = \infty, \text{ when } \overline{\lim} |a_n|^{\frac{1}{n}} = 0 \\ & = 0, \text{ when } \overline{\lim} |a_n|^{\frac{1}{n}} = \infty \end{aligned}$$

Abel's Limit Theorem 1.11. (First form, at Centre).

If the power series converges at the end point $x = R$ of the interval of the convergence $-R < x < R$, then it is uniformly convergent in $[0, R]$.

Proof. We shall show that under the given assumptions Cauchy's criteria for uniform convergence is satisfied in $[0, R]$. This will imply the uniform convergence of power series $\sum a_n x^n$ on $[0, R]$.

Let $S_{n,p} = a_{n+1}R^{n+1} + \dots + a_{n+p}$ for $p = 1, 2, 3, \dots$

Then, obviously

$$\begin{aligned} a_{n+1}R^{n+1} &= S_{n,1} \\ a_{n+2}R^{n+2} &= S_{n,2} - S_{n,1} \\ &\vdots \\ a_{n+p}R^{n+p} &= S_{n,p} - S_{n,p-1} \end{aligned} \tag{19}$$

Let $\epsilon > 0$ be given. Since the series $\sum a_n R^n$ is convergent, therefore by Cauchy's general principle of convergence there exists an integer N such that for $n \geq N$

$$|S_{n,q}| < \epsilon, \quad \forall q = 1, 2, 3, \dots, \tag{20}$$

Taking into account that

$$\left(\frac{x}{R}\right)^{n+p} \leq \left(\frac{x}{R}\right)^{n+p-1} \leq \dots \leq \left(\frac{x}{R}\right)^{n+1} \quad \text{for } 0 \leq x \leq R$$

Using (19) and (20), we have

For $n \geq N$

$$\begin{aligned} &|a_{n+1}x^{n+1} + a_{n+2}x^{n+2} + \dots + a_{n+p}x^{n+p}| \\ &= \left| a_{n+1}R^{n+1}\left(\frac{x}{R}\right)^{n+1} + a_{n+2}R^{n+2}\left(\frac{x}{R}\right)^{n+2} + \dots + a_{n+p}R^{n+p}\left(\frac{x}{R}\right)^{n+p} \right| \\ &= \left| S_{n,1}\left(\frac{x}{R}\right)^{n+1} + (S_{n,2} - S_{n,1})\left(\frac{x}{R}\right)^{n+2} + \dots + (S_{n,p} - S_{n,p-1})\left(\frac{x}{R}\right)^{n+p} \right| \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&= \left| S_{n,1} \left[\left(\frac{x}{R}\right)^{n+1} - \left(\frac{x}{R}\right)^{n+2} \right] + S_{n,2} \left[\left(\frac{x}{R}\right)^{n+2} - \left(\frac{x}{R}\right)^{n+3} \right] + \dots \dots \dots \right. \\
&\quad \left. + S_{n,p-1} \left[\left(\frac{x}{R}\right)^{n+p-1} - \left(\frac{x}{R}\right)^{n+p} \right] + S_{n,p} \left(\frac{x}{R}\right)^{n+p} \right| \\
&\leq |S_{n,1}| \left\{ \left(\frac{x}{R}\right)^{n+1} - \left(\frac{x}{R}\right)^{n+2} \right\} + |S_{n,2}| \left[\left(\frac{x}{R}\right)^{n+2} - \left(\frac{x}{R}\right)^{n+3} \right] + \dots \dots \dots \\
&\quad \dots \dots \dots + |S_{n,p-1}| \left[\left(\frac{x}{R}\right)^{n+p-1} - \left(\frac{x}{R}\right)^{n+p} \right] + |S_{n,p}| \left(\frac{x}{R}\right)^{n+p} \\
&< \epsilon \left\{ \left(\frac{x}{R}\right)^{n+1} - \left(\frac{x}{R}\right)^{n+2} + \left(\frac{x}{R}\right)^{n+2} - \left(\frac{x}{R}\right)^{n+3} + \dots \right. \\
&\quad \left. \dots + \left(\frac{x}{R}\right)^{n+p-1} - \left(\frac{x}{R}\right)^{n+p} \right\} \quad \text{by (20)} \\
&= \epsilon \left(\frac{x}{R}\right)^{n+1} \leq \epsilon \quad \forall n \geq N, p \geq 1, \forall x \in [0, R].
\end{aligned}$$

Thus $\forall \epsilon > 0, \exists N$ such that

$$|a_{n+1}x^{n+1} + a_{n+2}x^{n+2} + \dots \dots \dots + a_{n+p}x^{n+p}| < \epsilon$$

$$\forall n \geq N, p \geq 1, x \in [0, R].$$

Hence by Cauchy's criteria, the series converges uniformly on $[0, R]$.

Abel's Theorem 1.12. (Second Form).

If $\sum a_n x^n$ be power series with finite radius of convergence R and let

$$f(x) = \sum a_n x^n, \quad -R < x < R. \quad \text{If the } \sum a_n R^n \text{ converges, then}$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow R-0} f(x) = \sum a_n R^n.$$

Proof. Let us first show that there is no loss of generality in taking $R=1$

Put $x = Ry$, so that

$$\begin{aligned}\sum a_n x^n &= \sum a_n R^n y^n \\ &= \sum b_n y^n \quad \text{where } b_n = a_n R^n\end{aligned}$$

It is power series with radius of convergence R'

$$\begin{aligned}\text{where } R' &= \frac{1}{\limsup |a_n R^n|^{\frac{1}{n}}} = \frac{1}{R} \cdot \frac{1}{\limsup |a_n|^{\frac{1}{n}}} \\ &= \frac{1}{R} \cdot R = 1.\end{aligned}$$

Thus it suffice to prove the following:

Let $\sum a_n x^n$ be power series with unit radius of convergence and let

$$f(x) = \sum a_n x^n, \quad -1 < x < 1.$$

If the $\sum a_n$ converges, then

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 1^-} f(x) = \sum a_n$$

Let $S_n = a_0 + a_1 + \cdots + a_n$

$$S_{-1} = a_0$$

and let $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n = S = \sum a_n$,

Then,
$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n x^n = \sum_{n=0}^m (s_n - s_{n-1}) x^n$$

$$\begin{aligned} & \sum_{n=0}^m s_n x^n - \sum_{n=0}^m s_{n-1} x^n \\ &= \sum_{n=0}^{m-1} s_n x^n + s_m x^m - \sum_{n=0}^m s_{n-1} x^n \\ &= \sum_{n=0}^{m-1} s_n x^n - x \sum_{n=0}^m s_{n-1} x^{n-1} + s_m x^m \\ &= \sum_{n=0}^{m-1} s_n x^n - \sum_{n=0}^{m-1} s_n x^n + s_m x^m \\ &= (1-x) \sum_{n=0}^{m-1} s_n x^n + s_m x^m \quad \text{for } |x| < 1, \text{ when } m \rightarrow \infty, \end{aligned}$$

Since $s_m \rightarrow s$ and $x^m \rightarrow 0$, we get

$$f(x) = (1-x) \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} s_n x^n, \text{ for } 0 < x < 1 \quad (21)$$

Again since $s_n \rightarrow s$, for $\epsilon > 0$. there exists N , such that

$$|s_n - s| < \frac{\epsilon}{2} \quad \forall n \geq N \quad (22)$$

Also, $(1-x) \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} x^n = 1$, for $|x| < 1$ (23)

$$(((1-x) \sum x^n) = \sum_0^{\infty} x^n - \sum_0^{\infty} x^n - \sum_0^{\infty} x^{n+1} = 1)$$

Hence for $n \geq N$, we have for $0 < x < 1$

$$\begin{aligned} |f(x) - s| &= |(1-x) \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} s_n x^n - s| && \text{using (21)} \\ &= |(1-x) \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} s_n x^n - (1-x) \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} x^n s| && \text{by (23)} \\ &= |(1-x) \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (s_n - s) x^n| \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&\leq (1-x) \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} |(s_n - s)| x^n \\
&= (1-x) \left\{ \sum_{n=0}^N |(s_n - s)| x^n + \sum_{n=N+1}^{\infty} |(s_n - s)| x^n \right\} \\
&< (1-x) \left\{ \sum_{n=0}^N |(s_n - s)| x^n + \frac{\epsilon}{2} \sum_{n=N+1}^{\infty} x^n \right\} \quad \text{by (22)} \\
&\leq (1-x) \sum_{n=0}^N |s_n - s| x^n + \frac{\epsilon}{2}
\end{aligned}$$

But for fixed N , $(1-x) \sum_{n=0}^N |s_n - s| x^n$ is a positive continuous function of x having zero value at $x=1$.

Therefore, $\exists \delta > 0$, such that for $1-\delta < x < 1$,

$$(1-x) \sum_{n=0}^N |s_n - s| x^n < \frac{\epsilon}{2}$$

$$\therefore |f(x) - S| < \frac{\epsilon}{2} + \frac{\epsilon}{2} \quad \text{for } 1-\delta < x < 1.$$

Hence $\lim_{x \rightarrow 1^-} f(x) = S = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n$.

This completes the theorem.

In this section we shall study the theory of Riemann-Stieltjes integration which is the generalization of Riemann theory of Integration. It may be stated once for all that, unless otherwise stated, all functions will be real valued and bounded on the domain of definition. The function α will always be monotonic increasing.

Definition & Existence of Riemann–Stieltjes Integral (RS-Integral).

Definition 2.1: Let f and α be bounded functions on $[a, b]$ and α be monotonic increasing function on $[a, b]$, $b \geq a$

Corresponding to any partition

$$a = x_0 \leq x_1 \leq x_2 \leq \dots \leq x_{n-1} \leq x_n = b.$$

We write,

$$\Delta x_i = x_i - x_{i-1} \text{ for } i = 1, 2, \dots, n.$$

It is clear that, $\Delta x_i \geq 0$.

As α be a monotonically increasing function on $[a, b]$. Since $\alpha(a)$ and $\alpha(b)$ are finite, it follows that α is bounded on $[a, b]$.

Corresponding to each partition P of $[a, b]$, we have

$$\Delta \alpha_i = \alpha(x_i) - \alpha(x_{i-1}) \text{ for } i = 1, 2, \dots, n.$$

It is clear that $\Delta \alpha_i \geq 0$. For any real function f which is bounded on $[a, b]$, we have

$$U(P, f, \alpha) = \sum_{i=1}^n M \Delta \alpha_i$$

$$L(P, f, \alpha) = \sum_{i=1}^n m \Delta \alpha_i$$

where M_i, m_i are the bounds (supremum and infimum of f respectively over $\Delta x_i = [x_{i-1}, x_i]$.

If m and M are the lower and the upper bounds f on $[a, b]$, we have

Then, $m \leq m_i \leq M_i \leq M$

This implies that

$$m \sum_{i=1}^n \Delta \alpha_i \leq \sum_{i=1}^n m_i \Delta \alpha_i \leq \sum_{i=1}^n M_i \Delta \alpha_i \leq M \sum_{i=1}^n \Delta \alpha_i .$$

This implies

$$m \sum_{i=1}^n [\alpha(x_i) - \alpha(x_{i-1})] \leq L(p, f, \alpha) \leq U(p, f, \alpha) \leq M \sum_{i=1}^n [\alpha(x_i) - \alpha(x_{i-1})]$$

This gives

$$m [\alpha(b) - \alpha(a)] \leq L(p, f, \alpha) \leq U(p, f, \alpha) \leq M [\alpha(b) - \alpha(a)] \quad (1)$$

Since we have infinite number of partitions on $[a, b]$ and for every partition, we have upper sum and lower sum.

Let S_1 is the set of upper sums. And S_2 be the set of lower sums

That is

$$S_1 = \{U(p, f, \alpha) : p \in p [a, b]\},$$

and

$$S_2 = \{L(p, f, \alpha) : p \in p [a, b]\}.$$

From (1), S_1 and S_2 are bounded sets.

Therefore S_1 has greatest lower bounded and S_2 has least upper bound.

Let $g. l. b (S_1) = \int_a^{-b} f(x) d\alpha(x)$,

and $l. u. b (S_2) = \int_{-a}^b f(x) d\alpha(x)$

That is $\int_a^{-b} f d\alpha = \text{Inf.} \{u(p, f, \alpha) : p \in p [a, b]\}$,

and
$$\int_{-a}^b f d\alpha = \text{Sup.} \{l(p, f, \alpha) : p \in \mathcal{P}[a, b]\}$$

These are respectively called upper and lower the integrals of f with respect to α .

These two integrals may or may not be equal. In case these two integrals are equal.

$$\therefore \int_a^{-b} f d\alpha = \int_{-a}^b f d\alpha .$$

We say f is interable with respect to α in the Riemann sence and , we write

$f \in R_\alpha[a, b]$ or simply $f \in R_\alpha$ and the common value is denoted by

$$\int_a^b f d\alpha$$

or sometimes by

$$\int_a^b f(x) d\alpha(x)$$

and is called the Riemann – Stieltjes integral of f with respect to α over $[a, b]$.

If $\int_a^b f d\alpha$ exists, then we say that f is integrable with respect to α ,

in the sense of Riemann, and, we write $f \in R(\alpha)$.

By taking $\alpha(x) = x$, the Riemann integral will be a special case of the Riemann –Stieljies integral.

Refinement of Partitions.

Definition 2.2. For any partition P , the length of the largest sub – interval is called norm or mesh of the partition and is denoted by $\mu(p)$, (or simply μ) and $(P) = \max \Delta x_i$, $1 \leq i \leq n$.

A partition p^* is said to refinement of p if $p \subseteq p^*$.

We also say that p^* refines P or that p^* is finer than P .

If p_1 and p_2 are two partitions, then we say that p^* is their common refinement if

$$p^* = p_1 \cup p_2 .$$

Theorem 2.1. If p^* is a refinement of a partition p , then for a bounded function f ,

$$\begin{aligned} (i) \quad & L(p, f, \alpha) \leq L(p^*, f, \alpha) \\ (ii) \quad & U(p^*, f, \alpha) \leq U(p, f, \alpha) \end{aligned}$$

Proof. To prove (i), suppose first that p^* contains just one point more than p .

Let this extra point be ξ , and suppose this point is in $\Delta x_i = [x_{i-1}, x_i]$,

That is, $x_{i-1} < \xi < x_i$.

As the function is bounded on entire interval $[a, b]$. It is bounded in every sub interval Δx_i ($i = 1, 2, 3 \dots n$).

Let w_1, w_2, m_i be the infimum of f in the intervals $[x_{i-1}, \xi]$, $[\xi, x_i]$ and $[x_{i-1}, x_i]$, respectively .

Clearly $m_i \leq w_1, m_i \leq w_2$.

We have

$$\begin{aligned} & L(p^*, f, \alpha) - L(p, f, \alpha) \\ &= \{w_1[\alpha(\xi) - \alpha(x_{i-1})] + w_2[\alpha(x_i) - \alpha(\xi)] - m_i[\alpha(x_i) - \alpha(x_{i-1})]\} \\ &= (w_1 - m_i)[\alpha(\xi) - \alpha(x_{i-1})] + (w_2 - m_i)[\alpha(x_i) - \alpha(\xi)] \\ &\geq 0 . \end{aligned}$$

If p^* contains k points more than p , we repeat this reasoning k times and conclude

$$L(p^*, f, \alpha) - L(p, f, \alpha) \geq 0$$

This implies that

$$L(p^*, f, \alpha) \geq L(p, f, \alpha)$$

or
$$L(p, f, \alpha) \leq L(p^*, f, \alpha).$$

(ii) Home Assignment . The result follows from Theorem 2.1 (1).

Theorem 2.2. If f is bounded function on $[a, b]$ and $p_1, p_2 \in P[a, b]$, then

$$L(p_1, f, \alpha) \leq U(p_2, f, \alpha).$$

Proof. Let $P = p_1 \cup p_2$ be the common refinement of p_1 and p_2 .

Then from the above theorem , we have

$$L(p_1, f, \alpha) \leq L(p, f, \alpha) \leq U(p, f, \alpha) \leq U(p_2, f, \alpha).$$

This gives

$$L(p_1, f, \alpha) \leq U(p_2, f, \alpha).$$

Hence theorem 2.2 follows.

Theorem 2.3. If f be a bounded function on $[a, b]$, then

$$\int_a^b f d\alpha \leq \int_a^{-b} f d\alpha .$$

Proof. We know that

$$U(p_1, f, \alpha) \geq L(p, f, \alpha) \quad \text{for all } p_1, p_2 \in P[a, b]. \quad (2)$$

We first keep ' p_2 ' fixed and vary p_1 , then (1) gives

$$g.l. b_{p_1 \in P[a, b]} (U(p_1, f, \alpha)) \geq L(p_2, f, \alpha)$$

implies that
$$\int_a^{-b} f d\alpha \geq L(p_2, f, \alpha) \quad (3)$$

Now we vary p_2 , then (2) gives

$$\int_a^{-b} f d\alpha \geq l.u. b_{p_2 \in P[a, b]} (L(p_2, f, \alpha))$$

This gives $\int_a^{-b} f d\alpha \geq \int_{-a}^b f d\alpha$.

This gives $\int_{-a}^b f d\alpha \leq \int_a^{-b} f d\alpha$.

Hence the Theorem follows.

Theorem 2.4. If $f \in R(\alpha)$, then

$$m [\alpha(b) - \alpha(a)] \leq \int_a^b f d\alpha \leq M [\alpha(b) - \alpha(a)].$$

Proof . Let p be any partition of $[a, b]$, then

$$U(p, f, \alpha) \geq \int_a^{-b} f d\alpha, \quad (4)$$

$$\text{and } L(p, f, \alpha) \leq \int_{-a}^b f d\alpha \quad (5)$$

$$\text{Also } \int_a^b f d\alpha = \int_a^{-b} f d\alpha, \quad (6)$$

and

$$m[\alpha(b) - \alpha(a)] \leq L(p, f, \alpha) \leq U(p, f, \alpha) \leq M[\alpha(b) - \alpha(a)] \quad (7)$$

Thus, (4), (5), (6), and (7) gives

$$[m [\alpha(b) - \alpha(a)] \leq L(p, f, \alpha) \leq \int_a^b f d\alpha \leq U(p, f, \alpha) \leq M [\alpha(b) - \alpha(a)].$$

This implies that

$$[m [\alpha(b) - \alpha(a)] \leq \int_a^b f d\alpha \leq M [\alpha(b) - \alpha(a)].$$

Example 2.1: - If p^* is refinement of p , then

$$U(p^*, f, \alpha) - L(p^*, f, \alpha) \leq U(p, f, \alpha) - L(p, f, \alpha)$$

Solution: Home Assignment.

A Condition of Integrability.

Theorem 2.5. A function $f \in R_\alpha[a, b]$, iff for every $\epsilon > 0$, there exists a partition p of $[a, b]$, such that

$$U(p, f, \alpha) - L(p, f, \alpha) < \epsilon.$$

Proof. (Necessary part). Let $f \in R_\alpha[a, b]$

$$\text{Therefore } \int_a^{-b} f d\alpha = \int_{-a}^b f d\alpha = \int_a^b f d\alpha \quad (8)$$

Let ϵ be any number. Since $\int_a^{-b} f d\alpha$ and $\int_{-a}^b f d\alpha$ are the infimum and supremum of set of upper sums and set of lower sums respectively.

Therefore there exists partitions $p_1, p_2 \in P[a, b]$, such that

$$\int_a^{-b} f d\alpha + \frac{\epsilon}{2} > U(p_1, f, \alpha) \quad (9)$$

$$\text{and } \int_{-a}^b f d\alpha - \frac{\epsilon}{2} < L(p_2, f, \alpha) \quad (10)$$

Let $p = p_1 \cup p_2$, be common refinement of p_1 and p_2 , then

$$L(p_1, f, \alpha) \geq L(p_2, f, \alpha) \quad (11)$$

$$U(p, f, \alpha) \leq U(p_1, f, \alpha) \quad (12)$$

Now, (9), (10), (11), and (12) gives

$$U(p_1, f, \alpha) < \int_a^{-b} f d\alpha + \frac{\epsilon}{2}$$

$$\text{and } L(p_1, f, \alpha) < \int_{-a}^b f d\alpha - \frac{\epsilon}{2}$$

Since p is the common refinement of the partitions of p_1, p_2 , we have

$$U(p, f, \alpha) < \int_a^{-b} f d\alpha + \frac{\epsilon}{2}$$

$$\text{and } L(p_1, f, \alpha) < \int_{-a}^b f d\alpha - \frac{\epsilon}{2} \quad \text{by (8).}$$

This gives $U(p, f, \alpha) - L(p, f, \alpha) < \epsilon$.

This follows necessary part.

(Sufficient part). Let $\epsilon > 0$, and p be a partition, for which

$$U(p, f, \alpha) - L(p, f, \alpha) < \epsilon.$$

For any partition p we know that

$$L(p, f, \alpha) \leq \int_{-a}^b f d\alpha \leq \int_a^{-b} f d\alpha \leq U(p, f, \alpha).$$

This implies $\int_a^{-b} f d\alpha - \int_{-a}^b f d\alpha \leq U(p, f, \alpha) - L(p, f, \alpha) < \epsilon$.

This implies that

$$\int_a^{-b} f d\alpha - \int_{-a}^b f d\alpha < \epsilon \quad (13)$$

Since $\int_a^{-b} f d\alpha - \int_{-a}^b f d\alpha \geq 0$ and $\epsilon > 0$, be any number.

Therefore from (13), we must have

$$\int_a^{-b} f d\alpha = \int_{-a}^b f d\alpha.$$

This gives $f \in R_\alpha[a, b]$.

Thus the sufficient part follows and completes the proof of the result.

Theorem 2.6. If $f_1 \in R_\alpha$ and $f_2 \in R_\alpha$ over $[a, b]$, then

$$f_1 + f_2 \in R_\alpha[a, b] \text{ and } \int_a^b (f_1 + f_2) d\alpha = \int_a^b f_1 d\alpha + \int_a^b f_2 d\alpha.$$

Proof. Let $f = f_1 + f_2$.

Since f_1 and f_2 are bounded.

Therefore $f_1 + f_2 = f$ is also bounded on $[a, b]$

If $P = \{a = x_0, x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n = b\}$ be any partition of $[a, b]$ and let

m_i', M_i', m_i'', M_i'' and m_i, M_i are the infimums and supremums of f_1, f_2 and f respectively on Δx_i , then

$$m_i' + m_i'' \leq m_i \leq M_i \leq M_i' + M_i''.$$

Multiplying by $\Delta \alpha_i$, we get

$$m_i' \Delta \alpha_i \leq m_i'' \Delta \alpha_i \leq m_i \Delta \alpha_i \leq M_i \Delta \alpha_i \leq M_i' \Delta \alpha_i + M_i'' \Delta \alpha_i .$$

This gives

$$\sum_{i=1}^n m_i' \Delta \alpha_i + \sum_{i=1}^n m_i'' \Delta \alpha_i \leq \sum_{i=1}^n m_i \Delta \alpha_i \leq$$

$$\sum_{i=1}^n M_i \Delta \alpha_i \leq \sum_{i=1}^n M_i' \Delta \alpha_i + \sum_{i=1}^n M_i'' \Delta \alpha_i .$$

This implies

$$\begin{aligned} L(p, f_1, \alpha) + L(p, f_2, \alpha) &\leq L(p, f, \alpha) \leq \\ &\leq U(p, f, \alpha) \leq U(p, f_1, \alpha) + U(p, f_2, \alpha) \end{aligned} \quad (14)$$

This implies that

$$U(p, f, \alpha) - L(p, f, \alpha) \leq \{U(p, f_1, \alpha) + U(p, f_2, \alpha)\} - \{L(p, f_1, \alpha) + L(p, f_2, \alpha)\}.$$

This implies

$$U(p, f, \alpha) - L(p, f, \alpha) \leq U(p, f_1, \alpha) - L(p, f_1, \alpha) + U(p, f_2, \alpha) - L(p, f_2, \alpha) \quad (15)$$

$$\forall p \in P[a, b]$$

Since $f_1 \in R_\alpha$ and $f_2 \in R_\alpha$ over $[a, b]$.

Therefore every $\epsilon > 0$, there exist partition p_1, p_2 , such that

$$U(p_1, f_1, \alpha) - L(p_1, f_1, \alpha) < \epsilon/2 ,$$

and

$$U(p_2, f_2, \alpha) - L(p_2, f_2, \alpha) < \epsilon/2 .$$

Let $p = p_1 \cup p_2$, then

$$U(p, f_1, \alpha) - L(p, f_1, \alpha) < \epsilon/2 ,$$

and $U(p, f_2, \alpha) - L(p, f_2, \alpha) < \epsilon/2$

This gives $U(p, f_1, \alpha) - L(p, f_1, \alpha) + U(p, f_2, \alpha) - L(p, f_2, \alpha) < \epsilon$.

Therefore (15) gives $U(p, f, \alpha) - L(p, f, \alpha) < \epsilon$.

Thus \exists partition p of $[a, b]$, such that

$$U(p, f, \alpha) - L(p, f, \alpha) < \epsilon.$$

Therefore $f \in R_\alpha[a, b]$.

Now we have to prove that

$$\int_a^b f d\alpha = \int_a^b f_1 d\alpha + \int_a^b f_2 d\alpha.$$

Since the upper integral is the infimum of upper sums, therefore \exists partition

p_1, p_2 , such that

$$U(p, f_1, \alpha) < \int_a^b f_1 d\alpha + \frac{\epsilon}{2}$$

and $U(p, f_2, \alpha) < \int_a^b f_2 d\alpha + \frac{\epsilon}{2}$.

For such partition p ,

$$\int_a^b f d\alpha \leq U(p, f, \alpha) \leq U(p, f_1, \alpha) + U(p, f_2, \alpha) \text{ by} \quad (16)$$

$$\leq \int_a^b f_1 d\alpha + \int_a^b f_2 d\alpha + \epsilon.$$

$$\int_a^b f d\alpha \leq \int_a^b f_1 d\alpha + \int_a^b f_2 d\alpha + \epsilon \quad \forall \epsilon > 0.$$

Letting $\epsilon \rightarrow 0$ we get

$$\int_a^b f d\alpha \leq \int_a^b f_1 d\alpha + \int_a^b f_2 d\alpha \quad (17)$$

Similarly by considering lower integrals as supremum of lower sums, we get

$$\int_a^b f d\alpha \geq \int_a^b f_1 d\alpha + \int_a^b f_2 d\alpha \quad (18)$$

From (17) and (18), we get

$$\int_a^b f d\alpha = \int_a^b f_1 d\alpha + \int_a^b f_2 d\alpha .$$

Hence the theorem follows.

Theorem 2.7. If $f_1, f_2 \in R_\alpha[a, b]$, then $f = f_1 - f_2 \in R_\alpha[a, b]$, and

$$\int_a^b f d\alpha = \int_a^b f_1 d\alpha - \int_a^b f_2 d\alpha .$$

Proof. Let $p = \{a = x_0, x_1, x_2, \dots, \dots, x_n = b\}$ be any partition of $[a, b]$, and m'_i, M'_i, m''_i, M''_i and m_i, M_i are the infimum and supremum of f_1, f_2 and f respectively.

Then clearly bounds of $(-f_2)$ are $-M''_i$ and $-m''_i$

Therefore $m''_i - M''_i \leq m_i \leq M_i \leq M'_i - m'_i$.

Multiplying by $\Delta\alpha_i$, we get

$$\Delta\alpha_i m'_i + \Delta\alpha_i (-M''_i) \leq \Delta\alpha_i m_i \leq \Delta\alpha_i M_i \leq \Delta\alpha_i M'_i + (-m''_i) \Delta\alpha_i$$

for $i = 1, 2, \dots, n$.

This implies that

$$\sum_{i=1}^n \Delta\alpha_i m'_i - \sum_{i=1}^n \Delta\alpha_i (M''_i) \leq \sum_{i=1}^n \Delta\alpha_i m_i \leq \sum_{i=1}^n \Delta\alpha_i M_i \leq \sum_{i=1}^n \Delta\alpha_i M'_i - \sum_{i=1}^n m''_i \Delta\alpha_i .$$

Therefore $L(p, f_1, \alpha) - U(p, f_2, \alpha) \leq L(p, f, \alpha) \leq U(p, f, \alpha) \leq$

$$U(p, f_1, \alpha) - L(p, f_2, \alpha) \quad (19)$$

$$U(p, f, \alpha) - L(p, f, \alpha) \leq U(p, f_1, \alpha) - L(p, f_2, \alpha) - L(p, f_1, \alpha) + U(p, f_2, \alpha).$$

This gives $U(p, f, \alpha) - L(p, f, \alpha) \leq (p, f_1, \alpha) - L(p, f_1, \alpha) +$

$$U(p, f_2, \alpha) - L(p, f_2, \alpha) \quad (20)$$

Let $\epsilon > 0$, then \exists partitions p_1 and p_2 of $[a, b]$, such that

$$U(p_1, f_1, \alpha) - L(p_1, f_1, \alpha) < \epsilon/2 ,$$

and

$$U(p_2, f_2, \alpha) - L(p_2, f_2, \alpha) < \epsilon/2 .$$

Let $p = p_1 \cup p_2$, then

$$U(p, f_1, \alpha) - L(p, f_1, \alpha) < \epsilon/2 ,$$

and

$$U(p, f_2, \alpha) - L(p, f_2, \alpha) < \epsilon/2 .$$

This gives

$$U(p, f_1, \alpha) - L(p, f_1, \alpha) + U(p, f_2, \alpha) - L(p, f_2, \alpha) < \epsilon .$$

Therefore

$$U(p, f, \alpha) - L(p, f, \alpha) < \epsilon .$$

This shows that $f \in R_\alpha[a, b]$.

Now we will show that

$$\int_a^b f d\alpha = \int_a^b f_1 d\alpha - \int_a^b f_2 d\alpha .$$

Since upper integrals and lower integrals are infimum and supremum .

Therefore For any $\epsilon > 0$, there exist partition p_1 and p_2 , such that

$$\int_a^b f_1 d\alpha > U(p_1, f_1, \alpha) - \frac{\epsilon}{2} .$$

and $\int_a^b f_2 d\alpha < U(p_2, f_2, \alpha) - \frac{\epsilon}{2} .$

If $P = p_1 \cup p_2$, then

$$U(p, f_1, \alpha) < \int_a^b f_1 d\alpha + \frac{\epsilon}{2}.$$

$$\text{and } L(p, f_2, \alpha) > \int_a^b f_2 d\alpha - \frac{\epsilon}{2} \quad (21)$$

For such partition P , we have

$$\begin{aligned} \int_a^b f d\alpha &\leq U(p, f, \alpha) \leq U(p, f_1, \alpha) - L(p, f_2, \alpha) && \text{by (19)} \\ &< \int_a^b f_1 d\alpha - \int_a^b f_2 d\alpha + \epsilon && \text{by (21)}. \end{aligned}$$

This implies

$$\int_a^b f d\alpha < \int_a^b f_1 d\alpha - \int_a^b f_2 d\alpha + \epsilon.$$

$$\text{letting } \epsilon \rightarrow 0, \text{ we get } \int_a^b f d\alpha \leq \int_a^b f_1 d\alpha - \int_a^b f_2 d\alpha \quad (22)$$

Proceeding with $(-f_1)$ and $(-f_2)$ in place of f_1, f_2 , we get

$$-\int_a^b f d\alpha \leq -\int_a^b f_1 d\alpha + \int_a^b f_2 d\alpha$$

This implies that

$$\int_a^b f d\alpha \geq \int_a^b f_1 d\alpha - \int_a^b f_2 d\alpha$$

This gives

$$\int_a^b f d\alpha \geq \int_a^b f_1 d\alpha - \int_a^b f_2 d\alpha \quad (23)$$

From (22) and (23), we get

$$\int_a^b f d\alpha = \int_a^b f_1 d\alpha - \int_a^b f_2 d\alpha.$$

Theorem 2.8. If $f \in R_\alpha[a, b]$, then $f \in R_\alpha[a, b]$ and $f \in R_\alpha[c, b]$

$\forall c \in [a, b]$ and conversely. Also in either case

$$\int_a^b f d\alpha = \int_a^c f d\alpha + \int_c^b f d\alpha.$$

Proof. Suppose that $f \in R_\alpha[a, b]$.

Therefore for any $\varepsilon > 0$, $\exists P$ of $[a, b]$, such that

$$U(p, f, \alpha) - L(p, f, \alpha) < \varepsilon.$$

Let $p^* = P \cup \{c\}$

Then, $U(p^*, f, \alpha) - L(p^*, f, \alpha) \leq U(p, f, \alpha) - L(p, f, \alpha) < \varepsilon$.

Let p_1 and p_2 be the set of points of p^* between $[a, c]$ and $[c, b]$ respectively. Then

$$U(p^*, f, \alpha) = U(p_1, f, \alpha) + U(p_2, f, \alpha),$$

and $L(p^*, f, \alpha) = L(p_1, f, \alpha) + L(p_2, f, \alpha)$.

Also $U(p_1, f, \alpha) - L(p_1, f, \alpha) \geq 0$,

and $U(p_2, f, \alpha) - L(p_2, f, \alpha) \geq 0$.

We have

$$\begin{aligned} U(p_1, f, \alpha) + U(p_2, f, \alpha) - L(p_1, f, \alpha) - L(p_2, f, \alpha) \\ = U(p^*, f, \alpha) - L(p^*, f, \alpha) < \varepsilon \end{aligned}$$

Therefore,

$$[U(p_1, f, \alpha) - L(p_1, f, \alpha)] + [U(p_2, f, \alpha) - L(p_2, f, \alpha)] < \varepsilon$$

Since each bracket on L.H.S is non negative .

Therefore, $U(p_1, f, \alpha) - L(p_1, f, \alpha) < \frac{\varepsilon}{2}$,

and $U(p_2, f, \alpha) - L(p_2, f, \alpha) < \frac{\varepsilon}{2}$

where $p_1 \in P[a, c]$ and $p_2 \in P[c, b]$.

Therefore, $f \in R_\alpha[a, c]$ and $f \in R_\alpha[c, b]$; $a \leq c \leq b$.

Conversely, suppose $f \in R_\alpha[a, c]$ and $f \in R_\alpha[c, b]$; $a \leq c \leq b$.

Therefore for $\varepsilon > 0$, we can find partitions p_1, p_2 of $[a, b], [a, c]$ respectively,

such that

$$U(p_1, f, \alpha) - L(p_1, f, \alpha) < \frac{\epsilon}{2}$$

and $U(p_2, f, \alpha) - L(p_2, f, \alpha) < \frac{\epsilon}{2}.$

Let $p^* = p_1 \cup p_2$, then clearly p^* is a partition of $[a, b]$.

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Also, } U(p^*, f, \alpha) - L(p^*, f, \alpha) &= [U(p_1, f, \alpha) + U(p_2, f, \alpha)] - \\ &\quad [L(p_1, f, \alpha) + L(p_2, f, \alpha)] \\ &= U(p_1, f, \alpha) - L(p_1, f, \alpha) + U(p_2, f, \alpha) - L(p_2, f, \alpha) \\ &< \frac{\epsilon}{2} + \frac{\epsilon}{2} = \epsilon \end{aligned}$$

Thus \exists partition p^* of $[a, b]$, such that

$$U(p^*, f, \alpha) - L(p^*, f, \alpha) < \epsilon$$

Therefore, $f \in R_\alpha[a, b]$.

We know that for any two function f_1 and f_2 .

If $f = f_1 + f_2$, then

$$\inf f \geq \inf f_1 + \inf f_2,$$

and $\sup f \leq \sup f_1 + \sup f_2.$

Now for any partition p_1, p_2 of $[a, c], [c, b]$ respectively, if $p^* = p_1 \cup p_2$, then

$$U(p^*, f, \alpha) = U(p_1, f, \alpha) + U(p_2, f, \alpha)$$

$$\therefore \inf \{ U(p^*, f, \alpha) \} \geq \inf \{ U(p_1, f, \alpha) \} + \inf \{ U(p_2, f, \alpha) \}$$

Therefore $\int_a^{-b} f d\alpha \geq \int_a^{-c} f d\alpha + \int_c^{-b} f d\alpha$

$$\int_a^b f d\alpha \geq \int_a^c f d\alpha + \int_c^b f d\alpha \quad (24)$$

Preceding with $(-f)$ in place of f , we get

$$\int_a^b f d\alpha \leq \int_a^c f d\alpha + \int_c^b f d\alpha \quad (25)$$

From (24) and (25), we get

$$\int_a^b f d\alpha = \int_a^c f d\alpha + \int_c^b f d\alpha .$$

Theorem 2.9. The oscillation of a bounded function f on an interval $[a, b]$ is supremum of the set $\{|f(x_1) - f(x_2)|, x_1, x_2 \in [a, b]\}$ of numbers.

Proof. Let M, m be the bounds of f on $[a, b]$.

Now $m \leq f(x_1), f(x_2) \leq M; \quad \forall x_1, x_2 \in [a, b]$.

This implies that

$$|f(x_1) - f(x_2)| \leq M - m \quad \forall x_1, x_2 \in [a, b].$$

Therefore, $M - m$ is an upper bound of the set $\{|f(x_1) - f(x_2)|: x_1, x_2 \in [a, b]\}$.

Let $\epsilon > 0$ be any number. Since M is supremum of f , therefore there exists $x' \in [a, b]$, such that

$$f(x') > M - \frac{\epsilon}{2} .$$

Similarly $\exists x'' \in [a, b]$, such that

$$f(x'') < m + \frac{\epsilon}{2} .$$

This gives $f(x') - f(x'') > M - m - \epsilon$.

$$\Rightarrow |f(x') - f(x'')| > M - m - \epsilon .$$

Thus, \exists a no. in the set $\{|f(x') - f(x'')|: x_1, x_2 \in [a, b]\}$, such that

$$|f(x') - f(x'')| > M - m - \epsilon \quad \forall \epsilon > 0 .$$

This shows that $M - m - \epsilon$ is not upper bound of the above set $\forall \epsilon > 0$.

This gives $M - m$ is *l.u.b.* of the above set.

That is, $M - m = \sup \{ |f(x_1) - f(x_2)| : x_1, x_2 \in [a, b] \}$.

Theorem 2.10. If $f_1, f_2 \in R_\alpha[a, b]$, then $f_1 f_2 \in R_\alpha[a, b]$.

Proof. Since f_1 and f_2 are bounded on $[a, b]$, therefore $f_1 f_2$ is also bounded on $[a, b]$.

Let $p = \{a = x_0, x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n = b\}$ be any partition of $[a, b]$.

Suppose m'_i, M'_i, m''_i, M''_i and m_i, M_i are the infimum and supremum of f_1, f_2 and f respectively in Δx_i . We have for all $x_1, x_2 \in \Delta x_i$

$$\begin{aligned} f_1 f_2(x_2) - f_1 f_2(x_1) &= f_1(x_2) f_2(x_2) - f_1(x_1) f_2(x_1) \\ &= f_1(x_2) f_2(x_2) - f_1(x_1) f_2(x_1) + f_1(x_1) f_2(x_2) - f_1(x_1) f_2(x_1) \\ &= f_2(x_2)(f_1(x_2) - f_1(x_1)) + f_1(x_1)(f_2(x_2) - f_2(x_1)). \end{aligned}$$

This implies $|(f_1 f_2)(x_2) - (f_1 f_2)(x_1)| \leq |f_2(x_2)| |f_1(x_2) - f_1(x_1)| +$

$$\begin{aligned} &|f_1(x_1)| |f_2(x_2) - f_2(x_1)| \\ &\leq K[M'_i - m'_i] + K[M_i - m_i] \end{aligned}$$

where $|f_1(x)| \leq K$ and $|f_2(x)| \leq K \quad \forall x \in [a, b]$.

This gives

$$M_i - m_i \leq K[M'_i - m'_i] + K[M''_i - m''_i] \quad (26)$$

Now let $\epsilon > 0$ be any number.

Since f_1, f_2 are integrable, therefore \exists partitions p_1, p_2 , such that

$$U(p_1, f_1, \alpha) - L(p_1, f_1, \alpha) < \frac{\epsilon}{2k} \quad (27)$$

$$\text{and} \quad U(p_2, f_2, \alpha) - L(p_2, f_2, \alpha) < \frac{\epsilon}{2k} \quad (28)$$

Let $P = p_1 \cup p_2$, then

$$U(p, f_1, \alpha) - L(p, f_1, \alpha) < \epsilon/2k,$$

and

$$U(p, f_2, \alpha) - L(p, f_2, \alpha) < \epsilon/2k.$$

For this partition, we must have

$$M_i - m_i \leq k[M'_i - m'_i] + k[M''_i - m''_i] \quad \text{by (26)}$$

This gives

$$\begin{aligned} U(p, f_1 f_2, \alpha) - L(p, f_1 f_2, \alpha) &\leq \\ &k[U(p, f_1, \alpha) - L(p, f_1, \alpha)] + k[U(p, f_2, \alpha) - L(p, f_2, \alpha)] \\ &< k \frac{\epsilon}{2k} + k \frac{\epsilon}{2k} \quad \text{by (27) and (28)}. \end{aligned}$$

This gives

$$U(p, f, \alpha) - L(p, f, \alpha) < \epsilon .$$

This shows that $f = f_1 f_2$ is also integrable with respect to α over $[a, b]$.

Theorem 2.11. If f_1 and f_2 are two bounded and integrable functions with respect to α over $[a, b]$ and \exists a number $\lambda > 0$, such that $|f_2(x)| \geq \lambda, \forall x \in [a, b]$, then $\frac{f_1}{f_2}$ is also integrable with respect to α over $[a, b]$.

Proof. Since f_1, f_2 are bounded and $|f_2(x)| \geq \lambda, \forall x \in [a, b]$.

Also $\exists K$, such that $|f_1(x)| \leq K, \forall x \in [a, b]$.

Therefore, $\left| \frac{f_1(x)}{f_2(x)} \right| = \left| \frac{f_1(x)}{f_2(x)} \right| \leq \frac{K}{\lambda}; \quad \forall x \in [a, b]$.

Thus, f_1/f_2 is bounded function on $[a, b]$.

Let $\epsilon > 0$ be any number, therefore \exists partitions p_1, p_2 of $[a, b]$, such that

$$U(p_1, f_1, \alpha) - L(p_1, f_1, \alpha) < \epsilon \lambda^2 / 2K.$$

$$\text{and } U(p_2, f_2, \alpha) - L(p_2, f_2, \alpha) < \epsilon\lambda^2/2K.$$

Let $P = p_1 \cup p_2$, then

$$U(p, f_1, \alpha) - L(p, f_1, \alpha) < \epsilon\lambda^2/2K \quad (29)$$

$$\text{and } U(p, f_2, \alpha) - L(p, f_2, \alpha) < \epsilon\lambda^2/2K \quad (30)$$

Let $p = \{a = x_0, x_1, x_2 \dots x_n = b\}$ be any partition of $[a, b]$.

Suppose m'_i, M'_i, m''_i, M''_i and m_i, M_i are the infimum and supremum of f_1, f_2 and f respectively, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \left| \left(\frac{f_1}{f_2} \right) (x_2) - \left(\frac{f_1}{f_2} \right) (x_1) \right| &= \left| \frac{f_1(x_2)}{f_2(x_2)} - \frac{f_1(x_1)}{f_2(x_1)} \right| \\ &= \left| \frac{f_1(x_2)f_2(x_1) - f_1(x_1)f_2(x_2)}{f_2(x_2) \cdot f_2(x_1)} \right| \\ &\leq \frac{1}{\lambda^2} [|f_1(x_2)f_2(x_1) - f_1(x_1)f_2(x_2)|]. \end{aligned}$$

This implies that

$$\begin{aligned} \left| \left(\frac{f_1}{f_2} \right) (x_2) - \left(\frac{f_1}{f_2} \right) (x_1) \right| &\leq \frac{1}{\lambda^2} \left[\left| \frac{f_1(x_2)f_2(x_1) - f_2(x_1)f_1(x_1)}{f_2(x_1)f_1(x_1) - f_1(x_1)f_2(x_2)} \right| \right] \\ &\leq \frac{1}{\lambda^2} [|f_1(x_1)| |f_1(x_2) - f_1(x_1)| + |f_1(x_1)| |f_2(x_1) - f_2(x_2)|] \\ &\leq \frac{1}{\lambda^2} [K \{ M'_i - m'_i \} + \{ M''_i - m''_i \}] \\ &= \frac{K}{\lambda^2} [\{ M'_i - m'_i \} + \{ M''_i - m''_i \}]. \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{This implies } M_i - m_i \leq \frac{K}{\lambda^2} [\{ M'_i - m'_i \} + \{ M''_i - m''_i \}]$$

This gives

$$\begin{aligned} U(p, \frac{f_1}{f_2}, \alpha) - L(p, \frac{f_1}{f_2}, \alpha) &\leq \frac{K}{\lambda^2} [U(p, f_1, \alpha) + L(p, f_1, \alpha) + U(p, f_2, \alpha) + L(p, f_2, \alpha)] \\ &< \frac{K}{\lambda^2} \left[\frac{\lambda^2 \epsilon}{2K} + \frac{\lambda^2 \epsilon}{2K} \right] = \epsilon \quad \text{by (29) and (30)}. \end{aligned}$$

Therefore, $U(p, \frac{f_1}{f_2}, \alpha) - L(p, \frac{f_1}{f_2}, \alpha) < \epsilon$.

Hence $\frac{f_1}{f_2} \in R_\alpha[a, b]$.

Theorem 2.12. If $f \in R_\alpha[a, b]$, then $|f| \in R_\alpha[a, b]$ and

$$\left| \int_a^b f d\alpha \right| \leq \int_a^b |f| d\alpha$$

Proof. We know that if $f \leq g$ on $[a, b]$, then

$$\int_a^b f d\alpha \leq \int_a^b g d\alpha \quad (31)$$

Since f is bounded, therefore $\exists K > 0$, such that

$$|f(x)| \leq K, \quad \forall x \in [a, b].$$

Therefore the function $|f|$ is also bounded.

Again, since f is integrable, therefore for any $\epsilon > 0$, \exists partition P of $[a, b]$, such that

$$U(p, f, \alpha) - L(p, f, \alpha) < \epsilon \quad (32)$$

Let M'_i, m'_i and M_i, m_i be the bounds of f and $|f|$ in Δx_i , we have $\forall x_1, x_2 \in \Delta x_i$

$$||f(x_2)| - |f(x_1)|| \leq |f(x_2) - f(x_1)| \leq M'_i - m'_i.$$

This implies that $M'_i - m'_i \leq M_i - m_i$

This implies for any partition P of $[a, b]$;

$$\begin{aligned} U(p, |f|, \alpha) - L(p, |f|, \alpha) &\leq U(p, f, \alpha) - L(p, f, \alpha) \\ &< \epsilon \quad \text{by (32)}. \end{aligned}$$

Hence $|f| \in R_\alpha[a, b]$.

Also, $f(x) \leq |f(x)|$ and $-f(x) \leq |f(x)| \quad \forall x \in [a, b]$.

Therefore by (1), we have

$$\int_a^b f(x) d\alpha \leq \int_a^b |f| d\alpha$$

and $-\int_a^b f d\alpha \leq \int_a^b |f| d\alpha$

This gives $\left| \int_a^b f d\alpha \right| \leq \int_a^b |f| d\alpha.$

Theorem 2.13. If $f \in R_\alpha[a, b]$, then $f^2 \in R_\alpha[a, b]$.

Proof. Since f is bounded on $[a, b]$ therefore \exists , a number $K > 0$, such that

$$|f(x)| \leq K \quad \forall x \in [a, b].$$

We have $|f^2(x)| = |f(x)||f(x)| \leq K^2 \quad \forall x \in [a, b].$

This shows that f^2 is also bounded.

Let M'_i, m'_i be bounds of $|f|$ and M_i, m_i be those of f^2 in Δx_i ,

$$\text{Then, } M_i = M_i'^2 \quad m_i = m_i'^2 \quad (33)$$

Also, since $f \in R_\alpha[a, b]$, then for any $\epsilon > 0, \exists$ a partition P of $[a, b]$, such that

$$U(p, f, \alpha) - L(p, f, \alpha) < \frac{\epsilon}{2k}$$

Now, we have

$$\begin{aligned} U(p, f^2, \alpha) - L(p, f^2, \alpha) &= \sum_{i=1}^n (M_i - m_i) \Delta \alpha_i \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^n (M_i'^2 - m_i'^2) \Delta \alpha_i \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^n (M_i' + m_i')(M_i' - m_i') \Delta \alpha_i \\ &\leq \sum_{i=1}^n (K + K)(M_i' - m_i') \Delta \alpha_i \\ &= 2K \sum_{i=1}^n (M_i' - m_i') \Delta \alpha_i \\ &= 2K [U(p, f, \alpha) - L(p, f, \alpha)] < 2K \cdot \frac{\epsilon}{2K} = \epsilon. \end{aligned}$$

Thus \exists partition P of $[a, b]$, such that

$$U(p, f^2, \alpha) - L(p, f^2, \alpha) < \epsilon \quad \forall \epsilon > 0$$

Hence $f^2 \in R_\alpha[a, b]$.

The integral as a limit of sum.

Earlier, we arrived at the integral of functions via the upper and lower sums. The number M_i, m_i which appear in these sums are not necessary the values of the functions (they are the values of f if f is continuous). We shall now that $\int f d\alpha$ can also be considered as a limit of a sequence of sums in which M_i and m_i are replaced by the values of f .

Definition 2.3. Corresponding to partition p of $[a, b]$ and $t_i \in \Delta x_i$,

Consider the sum $S(p, f, \alpha) = \sum_{i=1}^n f(t_i) \Delta \alpha_i$.

We say that $S(p, f, \alpha)$ converges to A as $\mu(p) \rightarrow 0$, that is

$$\lim_{\mu(p) \rightarrow 0} S(p, f, \alpha) = A,$$

If for every $\epsilon > 0$, there exist $\delta > 0$, such that

$$|s(p, f, \alpha) - A| < \epsilon, \quad \text{for every partition}$$

$P = \{a = x_0, x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n = b\}$ of $[a, b]$ with norm $\mu(p) < \delta$ and every choice of $t_i \in \Delta x_i$.

Theorem 2.14. If $\lim S(p, f, \alpha)$ exists as $\mu(p) \rightarrow 0$, then

$$f \in R_\alpha [a, b]$$

and
$$\lim_{\mu(p) \rightarrow 0} S(p, f, \alpha) = \int_a^b f(x) d\alpha.$$

Proof. Let us suppose that $\lim S(p, f, \alpha)$ exists as $\mu(p) \rightarrow 0$ and is equal to A .

Therefore for every $\epsilon > 0$, $\exists \delta > 0$ such that for every partition P of $[a, b]$ with mesh $\mu(p) < \delta$ and every choice of t_i in Δx_i , we have

$$|S(p, f, \alpha) - A| < \frac{\epsilon}{2}$$

$$\text{or } A - \frac{\epsilon}{2} < S(p, f, \alpha) < A + \frac{\epsilon}{2} \quad (34)$$

Let p be one such partition. If we let the points t_i range over interval Δx_i and take the infimum and the supremum of the sums $S(p, f, \alpha)$.

Therefore yields (34)

$$A - \frac{\epsilon}{2} < L(p, f, \alpha) \leq U(p, f, \alpha) < A + \frac{\epsilon}{2}$$

$$\text{Therefore, } U(p, f, \alpha) - L(p, f, \alpha) < \epsilon$$

$$\text{Hence } \lim_{\mu \rightarrow 0} s(p, f, \alpha) = \int_a^b f(x) d\alpha = A.$$

Theorem 2.15. If f is continuous on $[a, b]$, then $f \in R_\alpha [a, b]$.

Moreover to every $\epsilon > 0, \exists$ a $\delta > 0$, such that

$$\left| S(p, f, \alpha) - \int_a^b f(x) d\alpha \right| < \epsilon .$$

For every partition $p = \{a = x_0, x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n = b\}$ of $[a, b]$ with $\mu(p) < \delta$ and for every choice of t_i in Δx_i .

That is,

$$\lim_{\mu \rightarrow 0} s(p, f, \alpha) = \int_a^b f(x) d\alpha.$$

Proof. Let $\epsilon > 0$ be given and let us choose $\eta > 0$, such that

$$\eta[\alpha(b) - \alpha(a)] < \epsilon \quad (35)$$

Since continuity of f on the $[a, b]$ implies its uniform continuity on $[a, b]$. Therefore for $\eta > 0$ there corresponding $\delta > 0$, such that

$$|f(t_1) - f(t_2)| < \eta, \text{ if } |t_1 - t_2| < \delta, t_1, t_2 \in [a, b]. \quad (36)$$

Let P be partition, with $\mu(p) < \delta$, then in view of (36)

$$M_i - m_i \leq \eta, \quad i = 1, 2, \dots, n$$

$$\Rightarrow U(p, f, \alpha) - L(p, f, \alpha) \leq \eta[\alpha(b) - \alpha(a)] < \epsilon .$$

Therefore, $f \in R_\alpha [a, b]$.

Again, if $f \in R_\alpha [a, b]$, then for every $\epsilon > 0, \exists \delta > 0$, such that for all partitions P with $\mu(p) < \delta$

$$|S(p, f, \alpha) - L(p, f, \alpha)| < \epsilon .$$

Since $S(p, f, \alpha)$ and $\int_a^b f d\alpha$ both lie between $U(p, f, \alpha)$ and $L(p, f, \alpha)$ for all partitions p with $\mu(p) < \delta$ and for all position of t_i in $\Delta\alpha_i$.

$$\therefore \left| S(p, f, \alpha) - \int_a^b f(x) d\alpha \right| < U(p, f, \alpha) - L(p, f, \alpha) < \epsilon .$$

Hence $\lim_{\mu \rightarrow 0} S(p, f, \alpha) = \int_a^b f d\alpha$.

Theorem 2.16. If f is monotonic on $[a, b]$ and if α is continuous on $[a, b]$, then $f \in R_\alpha [a, b]$.

Proof. Let $\epsilon > 0$ be given positive number for any positive integer n , choose a partition $p = \{a = x_0, x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n = b\}$ of $[a, b]$, such that

$$\Delta\alpha_i = \frac{\alpha(b) - \alpha(a)}{n}, \quad i=1, 2, 3 \dots n.$$

This is possible because α is continuous and monotonic increasing on closed interval $[a, b]$ and thus assumes every value between its bounded $\alpha(a)$ and $\alpha(b)$.

Let f be monotonic increasing on $[a, b]$, so that its lower and upper bounds m_i, M_i in Δx_i are given by

$$m_i = f(x_{i-1}), \quad M_i = f(x_i), \quad i = 1, 2, 3 \dots n$$

Therefore,

$$\begin{aligned} U(p, f, \alpha) - L(p, f, \alpha) &= \sum_{i=1}^n (M_i - m_i) \Delta\alpha_i \\ &= \frac{\alpha(b) - \alpha(a)}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n (M_i - m_i) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&= \frac{\alpha(b)-\alpha(a)}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n [f(x_i) - f(x_{i-1})] \\
&= \frac{\alpha(b)-\alpha(a)}{n} (f(b) - f(a)) \\
&< \epsilon, \text{ for large } n.
\end{aligned}$$

Hence, $f \in R_\alpha [a, b]$.

Theorem 2. 17. If $f \in R_\alpha [a, b]$, and α is monotonic increasing on $[a, b]$, such that $\alpha' \in R [a, b]$, then $f \in R_\alpha [a, b]$ and

$$\int_b^b f d\alpha = \int_b^b f \alpha' dx.$$

Proof. Let $\epsilon > 0$ be any given number.

Since f is bounded, there exist M , such that

$$|f(x)| \leq M, \quad \forall x \in [a, b].$$

Again since $f, \alpha' \in R[a, b]$, therefore $f\alpha' \in R[a, b]$ and consequently \exists , $\delta_1 > 0, \delta_2 > 0$, such that

$$|\sum f(t_i) \alpha'(t_i) \Delta x_i - \int f \alpha' dx| < \frac{\epsilon}{2} \quad (37)$$

for $\mu(p) < \delta_1$, and all t_i in Δx_i and

$$|\sum \alpha'(t_i) \Delta x_i - \int \alpha' dx| < \frac{\epsilon}{4m} \quad (38)$$

for $\mu(p) < \delta_2$, and $t_i \in \Delta x_i$.

Now for $\mu(p) < \delta_2$ and all $t_i \in \Delta x_i, s_i \in \Delta x_i$, (38) gives

$$\sum |\alpha'(t_i) - \alpha'(s_i)| \Delta x_i < 2 \frac{\epsilon}{4M} = \frac{\epsilon}{2M} \quad (39)$$

Let $\delta = \min(\delta_1, \delta_2)$ and P any partition with $\mu(p) < \delta$.

Also by Lagranges Mean Value theorem, there are points $s_i \in \Delta x_i$, such that

$$\Delta \alpha_i = \alpha'(s_i) \Delta x_i \quad (40)$$

Now for all $t_i \in \Delta x_i$;

$$\begin{aligned}
 |\sum f(t_i)\Delta\alpha_i - \int f\alpha' dx| &= |\sum f(t_i)\alpha'(s_i)\Delta x_i - \int f\alpha' dx| \\
 &= |\sum f(t_i)\alpha'(t_i)\Delta x_i - \int f\alpha' dx + \sum f(t_i)[\alpha'(s_i) - \alpha'(t_i)]\Delta x_i| \\
 &\leq |\sum f(t_i)\alpha'(t_i)\Delta x_i - \int f\alpha' dx| + \sum |f(t_i)| |\alpha'(s_i) - \alpha'(t_i)|\Delta x_i| \\
 &< \frac{\epsilon}{2} + M \frac{\epsilon}{2M} = \epsilon \qquad (41)
 \end{aligned}$$

Hence for any $\epsilon > 0$, $\exists \delta > 0$, such that for all partitions with

$\mu(p) < \delta$, (41) holds

Therefore, $\lim_{\mu \rightarrow 0} \sum f(t_i)\Delta\alpha_i$ exists and equals $\int f\alpha' dx$.

Hence $f \in R_\alpha [a, b]$.

Therefore, $\int_a^b f d\alpha = \int_a^b f\alpha' dx$.

Theorem 2.18. (Particular case).

If f is continuous on $[a, b]$ and α has a continuous derivative on $[a, b]$, then

$$\int_a^b f d\alpha = \int_a^b f\alpha' dx.$$

Proof. Under the given condition all the integral exists.

Let $p = \{a = x_0, x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n = b\}$ be any partition of $[a, b]$.

Thus by Lagrange's Mean Value Theorem it is possible to find

$t_i \in]x_{i-1}, x_i[$, such that

$$\alpha(x_i) - \alpha(x_{i-1}) = \alpha'(t_i)(x_i - x_{i-1}) \qquad i=1,2,\dots,n,$$

or $\Delta\alpha_i = \alpha'(t_i)\Delta\alpha_i$.

Therefore

$$S(p, f, \alpha) = \sum_{i=1}^n f(t_i)\Delta\alpha_i$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&= \sum_{i=1}^n f(t_i) \alpha'(t_i) \Delta x_i \\
&= S(p, f, \alpha').
\end{aligned}$$

Now letting $\mu(p) \rightarrow 0$, we get

$$\int_a^b f d\alpha = \int_a^b f \alpha' dx.$$

Theorem 2.19 . (First Mean Value Theorem).

If a function is continuous on $[a, b]$ and α is monotonic increasing on $[a, b]$, then there exists a number $\xi \in [a, b]$, such that

$$\int_a^b f d\alpha = f(\xi)[\alpha(b) - \alpha(a)].$$

Proof: Since f is continuous function and α is monotonic function.

Therefore, $f \in R_\alpha [a, b]$.

Let m and M be infimum and supremum of f in $[a, b]$, then

$$m[\alpha(b) - \alpha(a)] \leq \int_a^b f d\alpha \leq M[\alpha(b) - \alpha(a)]$$

This implies that

$$m \leq \frac{\int_a^b f d\alpha}{\alpha(b) - \alpha(a)} \leq M$$

Let $C = \frac{\int_a^b f d\alpha}{\alpha(b) - \alpha(a)}$

Then, $\int_a^b f d\alpha = C[\alpha(b) - \alpha(a)]$ where $m \leq C \leq M$.

Since f is continuous function therefore $\exists \xi \in [a, b]$.

$$f(\xi) = C.$$

Thus $\int_a^b f d\alpha = f(\xi)[\alpha(b) - \alpha(a)]$.

Hence the theorem.

Theorem 2.20. If f is continuous and α monotonic on $[a, b]$, then

$$\int_a^b f d\alpha = [f(x)\alpha(x)]_a^b - \int_a^b \alpha df$$

Proof. Under the given condition all the integrals exist.

Let $p = \{a = x_0, x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n = b\}$ be a partition of $[a, b]$.

Choose $t_1, t_2, t_3, \dots, t_n$, such that

$$x_{i-1} \leq t_i \leq x_i,$$

Let $t_0 = a, t_{n+1} = b$, so that

$$t_{i-1} \leq x_{i-1} \leq t_i.$$

Clearly $Q = \{a = t_0, t_1, t_2, \dots, t_n, t_{n+1} = b\}$ is also a partition of $[a, b]$.

Now

$$\begin{aligned} S(p, f, \alpha) &= \sum_{i=1}^n f(t_i) \Delta \alpha_i \\ &= f(t_1)[\alpha(x_1) - \alpha(x_0)] + f(t_2)[\alpha(x_2) - \alpha(x_1)] + \dots + f(t_n)[\alpha(x_n) - \alpha(x_{n-1})] \\ &= -\alpha(x_0)f(t_1) - \alpha(x_1)[f(t_2) - f(t_1)] + \alpha(x_2)[f(t_3) - f(t_2)] + \dots + \alpha(x_{n-1}) + \\ &\quad [f(t_n) - f(t_{n-1})] + \alpha(x_n)f(t_n) \end{aligned}$$

Adding and subtracting $\alpha(x_0)f(t_0) + \alpha(x_n)f(t_{n+1})$

$$\begin{aligned} S(p, f, \alpha) &= \alpha(x_n)f(t_{n+1}) - \alpha(x_0)f(t_0) - \sum_{i=0}^n \alpha(x_i)[f(t_{i+1}) - f(t_i)] \\ &= f(b)\alpha(b) - f(a)\alpha(a) - S(Q, \alpha, f) \end{aligned} \quad (42)$$

If $\mu(p) \rightarrow 0$, then $\mu(Q) \rightarrow 0$, so we get

$$\lim S(p, f, \alpha) = \int_a^b f d\alpha$$

$$\text{and } \lim S(Q, \alpha, f) = \int_a^b \alpha df.$$

Hence proceeding $\mu(p) \rightarrow 0$, we get from (42)

$$\int_a^b f d\alpha = f(b)\alpha(b) - f(a)\alpha(a) - \int_a^b \alpha df.$$

Therefore,
$$\int_a^b f d\alpha = [f(x)\alpha(x)]_a^b - \int_a^b \alpha df$$

This completes the proof.

The above theorem is also known as second Mean Value Theorem.

Fundamental Theorem of Calculus.

Theorem 2.21: A function $f \in R[a, b]$ and there exists a function F such that $F' = f$ on $[a, b]$, then

$$\int_a^b f dx = F(b) - F(a).$$

Proof. Since the function $F' = f$ is bounded and *integrable* therefore for given $\epsilon > 0$, $\exists \delta > 0$, such that for every partition

$$P = \{a = x_0, x_1, \dots, \dots, x_n\} \text{ with norm } \mu(p) < \delta,$$

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} \left| \sum_{i=1}^n f(t_i) \Delta x_i - \int_a^b f dx \right| \\ \text{or} \\ \lim_{\mu(p) \rightarrow 0} \sum_{i=1}^n f(t_i) \Delta x_i = \int_a^b f dx \\ \text{for every choice of points } t_i \text{ in } \Delta x_i. \end{array} \right\} \quad (43)$$

Since we have freedom in the selection of points t_i in Δx_i , we choose them in particular way as follows

By Lagrange's Mean Value Theorem, we have

$$\begin{aligned} F(x_i) - F(x_{i-1}) &= F'(x_i) \Delta x_i, \quad i = 1, 2, 3, \dots, n \\ &= f(t_i) \Delta x_i \end{aligned}$$

This implies that

$$\sum_{i=1}^n f(t_i) \Delta x_i = \sum_{i=1}^n [F(x_i) - F(x_{i-1})]$$

$$= F(b) - F(a)$$

Therefore, $\lim_{\mu(p) \rightarrow 0} \sum_{i=1}^n f(t_i) \Delta x_i = F(b) - F(a)$.

Hence $\int_a^b f dx = F(b) - F(a)$.

Remark. It is this theorem that shows under certain conditions integration and differentiation are reverse processes.